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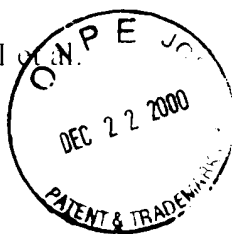
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.98 and 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants call the attention of the Examiner to the following information:

WO 00 20549, along with its International Search Report;

English Abstract of WO 00 20549;

U.S. Patent No. 5,443,751 to Mazzola;

U.S. Patent No. 4,911,856 to Lokkesmoe et al;

U.S. Patent No. 4,793,942 to Lokkesmoe et al;

U.S. Patent No. 4,605,509 to Corkill et al;

U.S. Patent No. 4,530,774 to Davies et al;

U.S. Patent No. 4,472,287 to Ramachandran et al;

U.S. Patent No. 3,985,669 to Krummel et al;

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U.S. Patent No. 3,937,042 to Loeb; and

U.S. Patent No. 3,339,737 to Kiscellus et al.

Applicant notes that this disclosure statement is being filed after three months from the filing date but prior to first Office Action on the merits. Accordingly, a fee should not be necessary for consideration of this disclosure statement. However, if any fee is necessary, including any fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p), the Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fee for consideration of this disclosure statement to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

Should the Examiner have any questions or comments, the undersigned may be contacted at the below listed telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,
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